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with a passage extending through said hollow tube from said free end of said hollow tube.

(NEW) The medical connector in accordance with Claim 45, wherein said port member has a chamber positioned distal of said septum and a fluid line extending in communication with said chamber.

## REMARKS

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claims 1-40 and added new claims 41-47. Since the pending claims are believed allowable over the prior art, Applicant respectfully requests a notice of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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